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<b>Application Number</b>	10/004,172
<b>Filing Date</b>	October 9, 2001
<b>First Named Inventor</b>	Warren M. Farnworth
<b>Art Unit</b>	3729
<b>Examiner Name</b>	A.D. Tugbang
<b>Attorney Docket Number</b>	MI22-1839

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

<b>1. Submission required under 37 CFR 1.114</b> Note: If the RCE is proper, any previously filed unentered amendments and amendments enclosed with the RCE will be entered in the order in which they were filed unless applicant instructs otherwise. If applicant does not wish to have any previously filed unentered amendment(s) entered, applicant must request non-entry of such amendment(s).	
a. <input type="checkbox"/> Previously submitted. If a final Office action is outstanding, any amendments filed after the final Office action may be considered as a submission even if this box is not checked.	
i. <input type="checkbox"/> Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Rely Brief previously filed on _____ ii. <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____	
b. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Enclosed	
i. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amendment/Reply      iii. <input type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) ii. <input type="checkbox"/> Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)      iv. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other <u>Petition for Extension</u> <span style="margin-left: 200px;">Terminal Disclaimer (pd. for previously)</span>	
<b>2. Miscellaneous</b> Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) required)	
<b>3. Fees</b> The RCE fee under 37 CFR 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR 1.114 when the RCE is filed. (any additional fees) The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Deposit Account No. <u>23-0925</u>	
i. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> RCE fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(e) <u>\$770.00</u> ii. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Extension of time fee (37 CFR 1.138 and 1.17) <u>\$950.00 (3 mo.)</u> iii. <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____	
b. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Check in the amount of \$ <u>\$1,720.00</u> enclosed	
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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)

Docket Number (Optional) MI22-1839

In re Application of	Warren M. Farnworth et al.	
Application Number	10/004,172	Filed 10/09/01
For Methods of Bonding Solder Balls etc.		
Art Unit	3729	Examiner A.D. Tugbang

This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above identified application.

The requested extension and appropriate non-small-entity fee are as follows (check time period desired):

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| <input type="checkbox"/> One month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1))   | \$ _____  |
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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Three months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(3))   | \$ 950.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Four months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(4))   | \$ _____  |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. Therefore, the fee amount shown above is reduced by one-half, and the resulting fee is: \$ _____ |           |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> The Director has already been authorized to charge fees in this application to a Deposit Account.   |           |
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I am the  applicant/inventor.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> assignee of record of the entire interest. See 37 CFR 3.71.<br>Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) is enclosed (Form PTO/SB/96). |
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**PATENT****IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of: Warren M. Farnworth

Application No.: 10/004,172  
Filed: October 9, 2001Group No.: 3729  
Examiner: A.D. TugbangCommissioner for Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, D.C. 20231

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**REQUEST FOR REFUND****I. REFUND REQUEST**

This is a request for a refund, with respect to the above-identified application.

**II. FEES CHARGED FOR WHICH REFUND REQUESTED**

	<b>AMOUNT OF REFUND REQUESTED</b>
Filing fee	\$710.00
Extension of term third month	\$950.00
<b>TOTAL REFUND REQUESTED</b>	<b>\$1,720.00</b>

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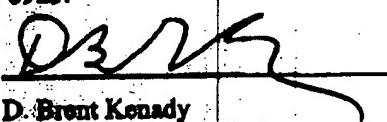
**III. EXPLANATION OF WHY CONTESTED CHARGE IS IN ERROR**

A response to Final Office Action was submitted in the above-entitled matter on May 13, 2004 along with a Petition for Extension and extension fees were paid in the amount of \$420.00. A check of PAIRS indicates that the Response was received by the United States Patent and Trademark Office on that date, May 13, 2004. Despite this being a response to Final Office Action, the Applicant's response was not forwarded to the Examiner for review until July 2, 2004. Applicant was required to file a Request for Continued Examination to avoid abandonment and pay a filing fee of \$770.00 plus again pay extension fees in the amount of \$950.00. Applicant requests a refund of the entire \$1,720.00 filing fee due to PTO error or in the alternative the \$950.00 for the additional extension.

**IV. MANNER OF REFUND**

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